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HK-561

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Vest, Skirt & Misc.

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MATERIALS: 4-ply Knitting Worsted or Synthetic:
Vest: 3(4, 4) 4-oz. skeins
Skirt: 2(3, 3, 4, 4) 4-oz. skeins
Hat & Scarf: 4 4-oz. skeins
Circular knitting needle, No. 10
Aluminum crochet hook, No. I
Steel crochet hook, No. 0
Tapestry and yarn needle, No. 13
23(25, 27, 29, 31) inches round elastic

SIZES: Vest: Small (Medium, Large). Measurement at bust: 37(41, 45) inches. Length is approximately $27\frac{1}{2}(28\frac{1}{2}, 29)$ inches. Skirt: 8(10, 12, 14, 16). Measurement at hips: 34(36, 38, 40, 42) inches. Length is approximately 23 inches.

GAUGE: 4 sts = 1 inch; 20 rows = 5 inches: No. 10 needle. Note: Make a sample piece to check your stitch gauge. Cast on 30 sts. Work in stitch pattern for 20 rows. Bind off. Measure for 2 inches in center of swatch. If you do not have the required stitch gauge, change to either a larger or smaller size needle until the correct gauge is obtained.

STITCH PATTERN: ① Rows 1 and 2: Knit.
Row 3: K 1, K a triple throw into each st, ending with K 1.
Row 4: K 1, *[slip 1 st as if to P, letting extra wraps drop from needle] 4 times, sl 4 sts (long loops) back to left needle. Insert right needle into all 4 sts (loops) as if to K, then K 1, P 1, K 1, P 1 into all 4 sts tog, sl 4 sts from left needle to complete the st*, repeat *_____* across, ending with K 1.
Rows 5, 6, 7, 8: Knit.
Row 9: K a triple throw into each st across row.
Row 10: K into each st, dropping the extra wraps each time.
TRIPLE THROW: Insert needle into st as if to knit, wrap yarn around needle 3 times and complete as for a knit st.

VEST: Cast on 150(166, 182) sts. Work in st pat on 37(41, 45) patterns until piece measures about $18\frac{1}{2}$ inches, ending with Row 4.

DIVIDE FOR BACK AND FRONTS: Dec 1 st at beg of row, follow pat until there are 34(38, 42) sts on needle, for right front. Slip these sts to a st holder. Bind off next 8 sts for underarm. Work across 64(72, 80) sts for back, slip rem 43(47, 51 sts to a st holder for left front.

BACK: Working on back sts, dec 1 st on each side of pat Row 6, 7, 8 and 9. Work Row 10, then dec 1 st each side of pat Row 1. Work even in pat on 54(62, 70) sts, 13(15, 17) patterns, until back measures $26\frac{1}{2}(27\frac{1}{2}, 28)$ inches, ending with Row 4(1, 4).
SHOULDERS: Bind off 8(9, 11) sts at beg of next 4 rows. Bind off rem 22(26, 26) sts for neck.

LEFT FRONT: Slip 43(47, 51) sts of left front to needle. Tie in another ball of yarn at underarm and bind off 8 sts. Work to end of row. Dec at arm edge on Rows 6, 7, 8, 9 and 1. AT THE SAME TIME, dec on neck edge on Rows 5, 7, 9 and 1 until there are 16(18, 22) sts left on needle. Work even in pat until front measures the same as back to shoulder, ending at armhole edge. Bind off 8(9, 11) sts 2 times.

RIGHT FRONT: Slip sts of right front to needle and work to correspond to left front, reversing all shaping.

FINISHING: Using small crochet hook and 1 strand of matching yarn, sl st shoulder seams tog very firmly in 1st row beyond bind off. Put crochet trim ② around bottom, fronts, neck and armholes. Fasten off yarn. Make 2 chains and attach to front on row just below armhole bind off. Hide all yarn ends carefully. Block.
CROCHET TRIM: Body: Using large crochet hook and 1 strand of yarn, beg at lower edge of left front. Join yarn in 1st st, 1 sc in same st, *ch 3, yo, insert hook in same st, yo, draw yarn up, hold loops on hook, yo, insert hook in same st, yo, draw yarn through (5 loops on hook), yo, draw yarn through all loops at one time, ch 1 (cluster shell made), skip 3 sts, 1 sc in next st*, repeat *_____* across bottom of vest, continue up right front, working shells by making the sc in the center of each garter st band. Work across back of neck the same as for bottom, then down left front the same as for right front. Work same trim around armholes.

CHAIN (make 2): Leaving a 10 inch strand at beg, and using large crochet hook and 1 strand of yarn, ch 1, yo, insert hook into ch 1, yo, draw yarn through, yo, insert hook into same st, yo, draw yarn through, yo, draw yarn through 5 loops, ch 1 (puff stitch completed).
2nd Puff Stitch: Yo, insert hook into eye of puff just made, yo, draw yarn through, yo, insert hook into same place, yo, draw yarn through, yo, draw yarn through 5 loops, ch 1.
Repeat directions for 2nd puff st until ch measures 17 inches. Make 1 sc between 5th and 6th puff from hook to form loop at end of chain. Fasten off yarn.

SKIRT BACK: Cast on 70(74, 78, 82, 86) sts. Work in st pat on 17(18, 19, 20, 21) patterns until back measures 22 inches, ending with Row 8. Work 2 rows of garter st for waistband. Bind off.

SKIRT FRONT: Work the same as back.

SKIRT FINISHING: Using yarn needle and 1 strand of matching yarn, weave side seams tog. Put above crocheted edging around bottom. Insert elastic in waistband and tie securely. Hide all yarn ends carefully. Block.

HAT: Cast on 62 sts. Work in st pat for 7 inches, ending with Row 10. Shape top as follows: Continuing in garter st, K 2 sts tog across row; 31 sts. K 1 row even. On the next row, K 2 tog across row, ending K 1; 16 sts. K 1 row. Fasten off yarn, leaving about a 15-inch length. Draw this end through sts on needle and tie tightly. Weave back seams. Put same edge around bottom of hat as on vest. Make pompon and sew to top of hat. Hide all yarn ends carefully. Block.

POMPON: Cut 2 circles of cardboard, 3 inches across. Cut a $\frac{3}{4}$-inch round hole at center of each circle. Hold both circles tog. Using yarn needle and several strands of yarn, wrap yarn through hole and over rims of circles until center is tightly packed with yarn. Clip strands around edge. Insert 10-inch double strand of yarn between cardboards, tie tightly. Remove cardboards, shake pompon and trim to 4 inches in diamter.

SCARF: Cast on 42 stitches. Work in st pat for 80 inches, ending with Row 6. Bind off. Work crochet trim along each long side, the same as on front edges of vest. Gather tog the narrow ends of scarf. Make 2 large pompons, as above, using 6-inch pieces of cardboard. Attach 1 pompon to each end of scarf. Hide all yarn ends carefully. Block.

AFGHAN (48 by 60 inches): Requires approximately 6 skeins. Cast on 194 sts. Work in st pat for 60 inches, ending with Row 6. Bind off. Work above crochet trim around edges. Hide all yarn ends carfully. Block.

BABY COVERLET (30 by 40 inches): Requires approximately 4 skeins. Cast on 122 sts. Work in st pat for 40 inches, ending with Row 6. Bind off. Put above crochet trim around edges. Hide all yarn ends carefully. Block.

ABBREVIATIONS:

st (sts)	stitch (stitches)
K	knit
P	purl
sl	slip
tog	together
pat	pattern
dec	decrease
beg	begin, beginning
rem	remain, remaining
sl st	slip stitch
sc	single crochet
ch	chain
yo	yarn over

_____ indicates that the instructions between the asterisks are to be repeated the specified number of times in addition to the original.

[ ] indicates that the instructions within the brackets are to be repeated as many times as specified.

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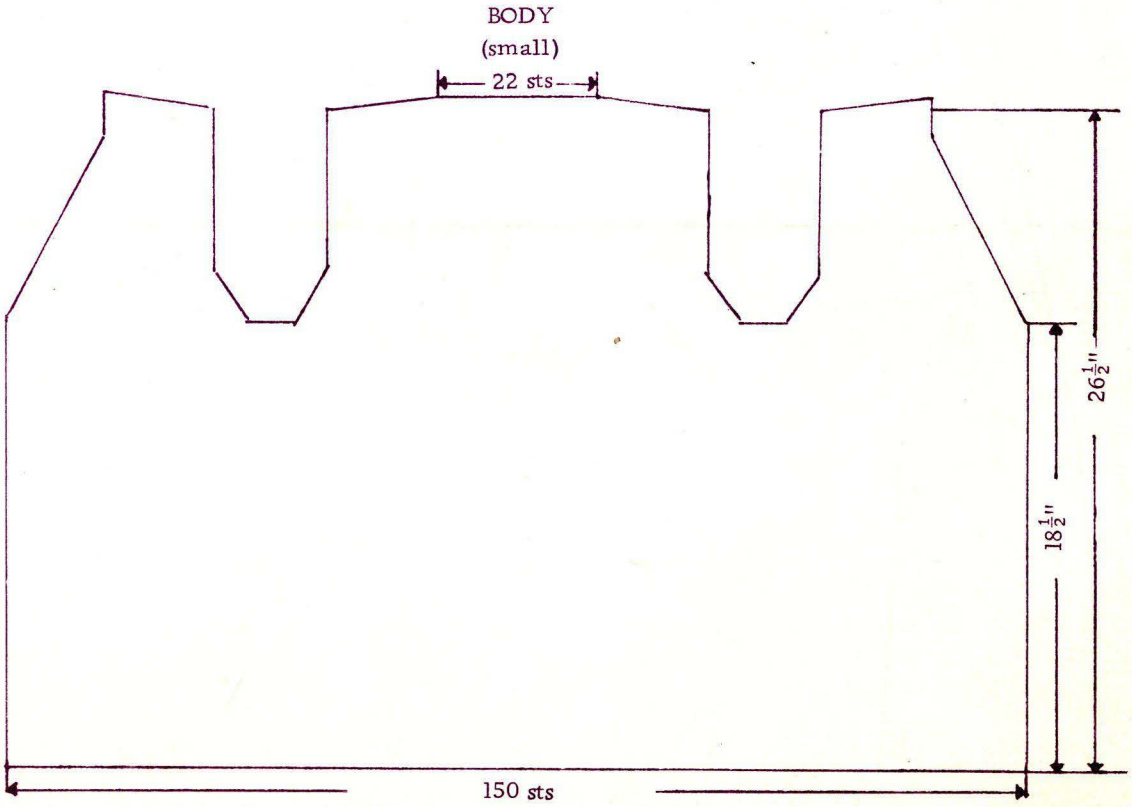

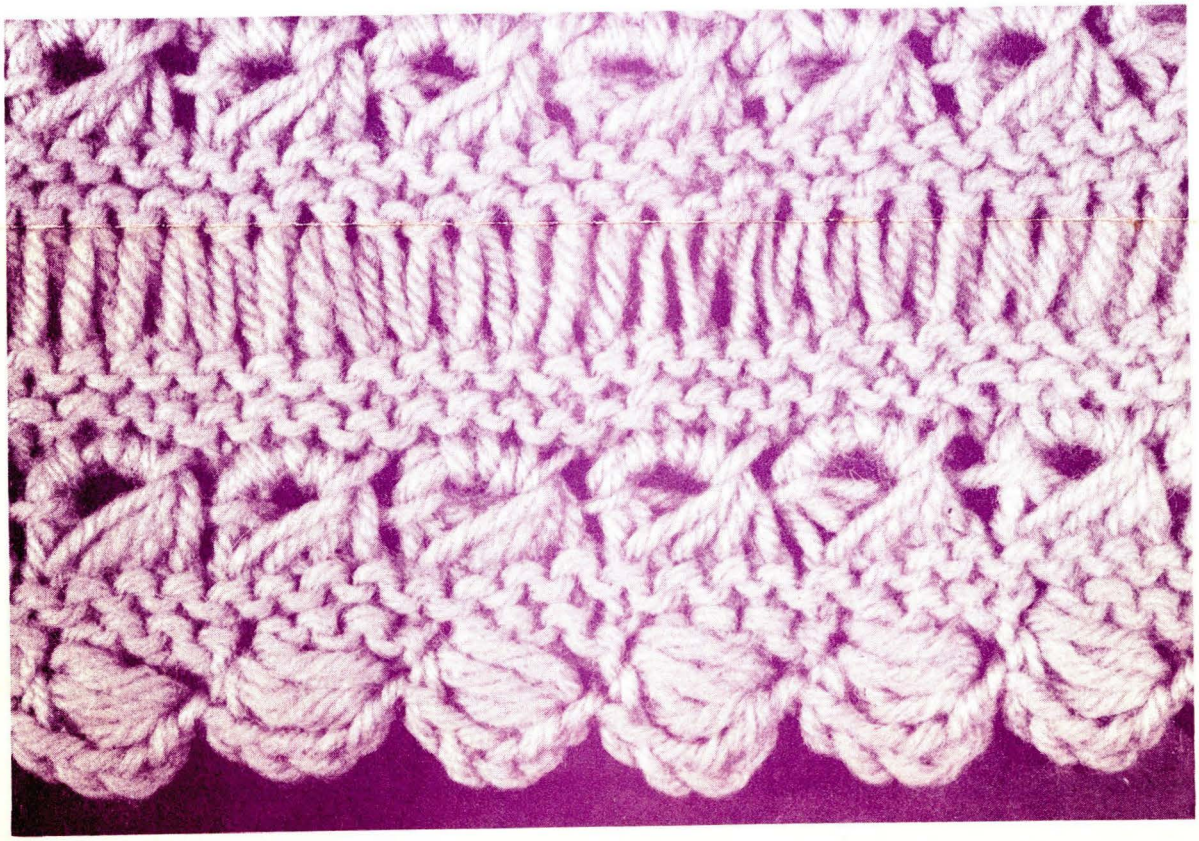

1. Stitch Pattern

2. Crochet Trim